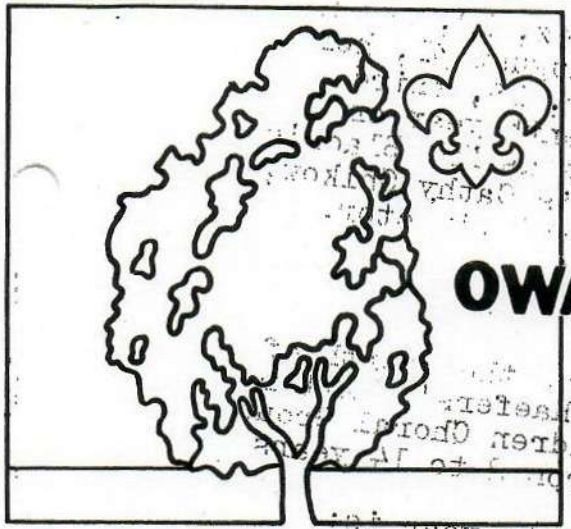




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DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

In 1976 America will celebrate its bi-centennial. Special programs of emphasis, activities, shows and displays will help the youth of our nation learn of our historic heritage. In keeping with the tradition of the Reservation we are pleased to announce the first of our bi-centennial celebration activities to be included in the Reservation Program.

"Spirit of '76 Outpost"-a unique experience in Americana-located at Camp West-the "Spirit of '76 Outpost" will feature instruction in the handling of historic American flintback weapons, the opportunity to mold a musket ball, prepare a black powder charge and fire this antique piece of weaponry. The overnight experience will also include backwoods cooking, and relating of historic adventures of this great land.

The "Spirit of '76 Outpost" will be in operation before the end of sixth period. Attendance will be limited to twelve boys each night, due to limited amount of available equipment. The exact date of the opening will be announced thru Camp Directors. A charge of \$1.50 per boy will be made for this unique experience.

NEW FACES BLEND WITH NOT SO NEW

Family Camp has a batch of new faces on staff this year. From Ireland is Anne O'Sullivan who is teaching tennis. Anne celebrated her 22nd birthday on Christmas. From the Windy City is Cheryl Cleveland, 22, who teaches Kiddie Crafts. Cheryl is a recent graduate of Chicago State University. Mary Beth Accardi, 19, from Westchester teaches adult crafts and instituted a new program call the Pioneer Girls. From Elmhurst is Mary Alis Shevlin, 21, Aquatics Director. From Hinsdale is

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Kathleen Harris, 18, Aquatic Aide. From Muskegon is Michelle McKinney, 16, in charge of the trading post. Returning to the Family Camp Staff are Chris Sanchez, 19, second year on Aquatics; Sheryl Menghi, 18, on or about August 31, her third year as Kiddie Craft Director; Marilyn Young, 18, third year on Aquatics; and Linda (Hanson) Monahan, seventh year on staff and third year as program director. Serving as Mr. Black's secretary and taking up residence at Family Camp is Cathy Chikow, 18, on August 23. Finally there is Vic Mosley, Camp Director.

STAFF FAMILY NEWS

The first big event this year in Staff Village was the Fourth of July Weenie Roast, which was held at the Bill Schaefer's. After the roast, the village was serenaded by the Children Choral Group in Staff Village. The children ranged in age from 2 to 14 years old and were under the direction of Liz Dopke. The big program for the Staff Village children this year is STAFF VILLAGE FISH-OF-FAME. Any child resident of Staff Village and under 15 years of age is eligible. The largest fish turned in by noon, August 23, will be the winner. All participants must register through Dave Schlichting-Cabin #18, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m. The prizes will be:

- 1st prize - Rod and Reel
- 2nd prize - Tackle Box
- 3rd prize - Tackle Box

GOOD LUCK TO ALL!

The next big event on the calendar was Christmas in July, which was held on July 25. Potluck dinner highlighted the evening, complimented by another performance by Liz Dopke's Children Choral Group. Santa Claus did make his appearance.

JOB NEWS AROUND THE TREES

Yes it's true Fat Frank might have himself a "real" job in the fall with the Forest Preserves. He went in for an interview and did rather well. He's even bought himself a double-headed axe. "Fire down Frank." Murph's head shop was officially closed after the Dixie Board of Health found a rusty razor. Steve Holecsek is living proof of the Master Murphy's work.

NOTICE:

To all interested females:

Re: Position of cheerleader for Robert Crown Water Polo Team
To apply for tryouts, contact Aquatic Director.

MYSTERY SCOUTS COME AND GO

Recently, after toiling through a long, hot day, setting up over 50 tents, moving floorboards from South and Blackhawk, tables from South and many cots from Food Prep, North finally got to the pool for a refreshing dip.

Sunday, they anxiously awaited the overflow they were expecting. The busses arrived but the bodies didn't. Could they have been the Phantoms asks North?

NOR'WESTER TO VISIT

The Council's Sea Explorer ship-the "Nor'wester" will visit White Lake on August 3 as part of a visit to the Muskegon area. This beautiful 52 foot sailing yacht, manned by Sea Explorers from the Council will host one specially selected member from each camp staff for a cruise on Lake Michigan. The "Nor'wester" was presented to the Chicago Area Council in May by Mr. & Mrs. Allen Houston, of Green Bay, Wisconsin. The "Nor'wester" is one of 14 yachts and sailing vessels comprising the Sea Explorer fleet of the Council.

BOBWHITES TAKE ALL

The Bobwhite patrol of Squirrel Den #3 stole a first place at the end of the week patrol competition held during National Camp School at Ransburg Reservation. An important factor in this victory was that the patrol consisted of present and former Owasispe Staffmen.

Patrol Leader John JC Chikow lead Bobwhites Jim Kominsky (Program Director at Gerber Scout Reservation), Tom McCormack, John Grout, Jim Richerson, Larry Gersch, Ken VanDerGriend, Jim Olson. The patrol was noted, among other things, as one of the best organized and managed to be up, under any circumstances, by 6:30 a.m.

Joe Szymanski, a former OSR staffman, Paul Walters (working for Abraham Lincoln Council) were also from Squirrel Den #3, but in different patrols. Finally, the Camp School staff featured Frank Chlebek, returning to Director of Ecology-Conservation for the second year in a row, and then was called upon for emergency duty the following week at a Camp School session in Ohio.

MOVIES IN MONTAGUE

Playing at the Park Theatre in Montague these next two weeks will be:

July 26-30 The Sting

July 31-Aug. 6 World's Greatest Athlete
Snowball Express

HAIL, OWASIPPE!

By: Antonio T. Uy, ALT
 Boy Scouts of the Philippines
 Super Camp Stuart

Here amongst the lakes and trees
 As the sun shines over the lakes,
 I gaze at the skies and give a sigh,
 Listening to birds singing up above.

Owasippe with lakes is beautiful,
 When dawn is at hand it is marvelous,
 And with the coming of sun is glorious;
 Seeing the birds flying free then I may
 In my dreams take wings and fly freely
 Perhaps to wander far over the camps,
 Playing with fishes, turtles or deers
 Enjoying a life as a Scout shole be.

SOMETHING TO TRY IN CAMP

The following is a very simple recipe that could be used for a
 cooking demonstration in camp.

Ingredients: MEMPHIS MOLLY

- 2 cans cherry pie filling
- 2 cans crushed pineapple
- 1 box yellow cake mix (approximately 1 lb.)
- ½ lb. butter

Heat pineapple and pie filling in a dutch oven over about 20 char-
 coals. When mixture is bubbling, sprinkle cake mix on top and
 spread out evenly. Slice butter and place on top, cook about ½
 hour with 10 charcoals on top. (Test cake with a clean stick to
 see if anything sticks)

Anyone interested in Boy Scouts of the Philippines Patches, pins
 and souvenirs for trade-in, contact Super Camp Stuart 894-9373.

B.B.B.B.S. NEWS FROM R.C.

For the best NEWS in Owasippe call the best camp around at 52 ask
 for BIRTHDAY BOY BILL BOY SCHAEFER!

OLD BLACK TRAIL ABUSED

Blackhawk now has four trails leading to Ad Center. Being patriotic the main fleur-de-lis trails are red, white, and blue. The blue is the longest-the white is shortest and the red is in between.

The hottest second longest (by a mile) is the fourth one, the black. Not being scout-like, the black has no fleur-de-lis only one long black mark from one end to the other. It is now possible to go from Blackhawk to Ad Center by three different routes and never go on the blacktop.

NORTH LEADS IN CANOE DERBY

For the last two weeks, Commissioners Mark Behnke, Ron Kulak, and Brian Cornish have sent a total of 110 scouts and scouters out on the various waterways of Owasippe. This makes three out of the last four weeks that North has dominated the action. Outpost camping, with the new Fishing East and West are still going strong with the scouts, but there are still openings every day that can be filled. Fourth period saw 148 scouts participate in the Outpost program.

STUART KIDNAPPING MYSTERY

On or about the afternoon of July 25, 1974, Tim Gentile, Commissioner Aide at Super Camp Stuart was attacked, blindfolded, hands tied behind his back, and abducted from his cabin by some unknown assailants. It was reported that during his encounter he met up with a ravishing blond who aided his escape. This was done in enough time so that his 18th birthday could be celebrated in some undisclosed location later that night.

MUSEUM NOTES

Several hundred people have visited the museum in the past week but the one who caused the most excitement was Mr. Schneider who was assistant quartermaster in 1915.

He came in and asked where the camp was, Camp Owasippe that is. Nobody had the heart to tell him it was scattered over 17 square miles and was now a dozen camps.

Family Camp visitors to the Museum wanted to know where Owasippe's grave was and since the museum includes all of Owasippe, we showed them. So it got dark before we got out of the swamp, that will learn them girls to ask silly question.

DEAR MOMMY

Dear Mommy,

No one loves me. I haven't gotten a letter in 4 weeks.

Rejected

Dear Reject,

Write a letter and send it through inter-camp mail to yourself. You can even try writing to someone here at camp.

Love,

Mommy

Dear Mommy,

Why does town run always leave so late that by the time you get to town just about everything is closed and if you are under 18 there is practically nothing you can do.

A.T.O. Staffman

Dear Staffman,

You'll have to talk to Mike Tiszka about town run. You can catch him in his cabin from 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.

Mommy

Dear Mommy,

What do you do in a little canoe with the moon shining all around?

Innocent

Dear Innocent,

Do what comes naturally! Paddle it

Love and kisses,

Mommy

If you are home sick, love sick, or just plain sick, write to Mommy c/o Family Camp. She can make things better.

WANTED:

Good body specialist with knowledge of Buick LeSabre parts.